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tho' there light is a soaking
light - from all corners of
the universe upon it - it gives
the face much better than
I should have thought possible -
soft & shadowed - but it needs
more light - ~~from~~ & more concentrated
to bring out the expression - The
whole thing however looks satisfactory
It stands just - midway facing
the pulpit - & gives an air you
may guess to the old ramshackle
plate-glass tabernacle of the
Puritan Fathers - (I see no
doubt to the purity of the marble)
You will come Wednesday - that

is so good :-

Now I must - I must
tell you that it is my duty to go
to Mr P. & probe his feelings &
intentions - If he can speak with
whole-hearted love & praise of Mr
Napier - I am bound to conform my
invitation - Since he is no other & no
ways diff. in my estimation than before
his last escapade - But if he confirms
some of the last - doubt or whatever that
may act as a drawback - I shall say
plainly - Then - I release you. I have
very much wished to act - your pleasure as
regards this matter - but on much deliberation
I can no other than I do.

Love will my dear friend -